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     2001:828921 CAPLUS
DN
     135:352833
ΤI
     Topical lysostaphin therapy for Staphylococcus ocular infections
IN
     O'callaghan, Richard J.
     Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and
PA
     Mechanical College, USA
SO
     U.S., 6 pp.
     CODEN: USXXAM
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AB
     A method has been discovered for using lysostaphin as an effective
     antibiotic for topical treatment of Staphylococcus corneal infections
     (keratitis). Lysostaphin applied topically to the cornea by eye drops
     killed bacteria within the cornea; lysostaphin reduced the no. of bacteria
     from approx. 10,000,000 viable bacteria colony forming units ("CFU") in
     the untreated eye to essentially no viable bacteria in the treated eyes.
     Treatment by lysostaphin was more potent than any of the smaller
     antibiotics that have been previously tested (e.g., tetracyclines,
     erythromycin, cephalosporins, vancomycin, aminoglycosides, or
     fluoroquinolones). Moreover, topical application of lysostaphin was
     effective against the highly antibiotic-resistant Staphylococcus strains.
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     21536883 PubMed ID: 11679550
     Development of vancomycin and lysostaphin resistance
ΤI
     in a methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus isolate.
AU
     Boyle-Vavra S; Carey R B; Daum R S
     Department of Pediatrics, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA..
CS
     sboyleva@midway.uchicago.edu
NC
     RO1 AI 40481-01 BM (NIAID)
     RO3 AI 44999-02 (NIAID)
     JOURNAL OF ANTIMICROBIAL CHEMOTHERAPY, (2,001 Nov.) 48 (5) 617-25.
SO
     Journal code: 7513617. ISSN: 0305-7453.
CY
     England: United Kingdom
     Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
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Entered Medline: 20020220

Glycopeptide resistance in Staphylococcus aureus is poorly understood. The AB diversity of change documented in cell walls of clinical glycopeptide-intermediate S. aureus (GISA) isolates is evidence that a single genetic or biochemical change cannot account for resistance in all isolates described to date. Therefore, identification of new GISA clinical isolates provides an opportunity to gain insight into the range of adaptive strategies employed by staphylococci to survive in the presence of glycopeptides. In April 1999, a GISA isolate was obtained from the blood of a 63-year-old dialysis patient in Illinois. This isolate was one of six clonally identical MRSA isolates (A-F) serially obtained from the blood of this patient who was receiving vancomycin therapy. All isolates were resistant to oxacillin (MIC > 256 mg/L). The initial isolate had an MIC of vancomycin of 1 mg/L. However, the presence of a subpopulation that could grow in the presence of 5 mg/L of vancomycin indicated that this isolate was predisposed to the acquisition of the GISA phenotype (MIC of vancomycin 10-12 mg/L), which occurred 13 days later, associated with an increased MIC of the endopeptidase lysostaphin and slightly increased cell wall thickness. The first and last isolates in the series, A and F, resisted killing when incubated in vancomycin 2 mg/L, resisted autolysis when incubated in Triton X-100 and had a decreased expression of a c. 116 kDa autolytic band, properties that were different from glycopeptide-susceptible control isolates. Lysostaphin resistance was not accompanied by alterations in the peptidoglycan pentaglycine cross-bridge or a decrease in oxacillin MIC. These data, when taken together with the demonstration of increased cross-linking in isolate F compared with isolate A, demonstrate that vancomycin resistance in these isolates probably occurred by a mechanism different from that of other GISA isolates described to date.

- L4 ANSWER 3 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AN 2001:37556 CAPLUS
- DN 134:246913
- TI Lysostaphin expression in mammary glands confers protection against staphylococcal infection in transgenic mice
- AU Kerr, David E.; Plaut, Karen; Bramley, A. John; Williamson, Christine M.; Lax, Alistair J.; Moore, Karen; Wells, Kevin D.; Wall, Robert J.
- CS Department of Animal Sciences, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT, 05405, USA
- SO Nature Biotechnology (2001), 19(1), 66-70 CODEN: NABIF9; ISSN: 1087-0156
- PB Nature America Inc.
- DT Journal
- LA English
- Infection of the mammary gland, in addn. to causing animal distress, is a AB major economic burden of the dairy industry. Staphylococcus aureus is the major contagious mastitis pathogen, accounting for approx. 15-30% of infections, and has proved difficult to control using std. management practices. As a first step toward enhancing mastitis resistance of dairy animals, we report the generation of transgenic mice that secrete a potent anti-staphylococcal protein into milk. The protein, lysostaphin, is a peptidoglycan hydrolase normally produced by Staphylococcus simulans. When the native form is secreted by transfected eukaryotic cells it becomes glycosylated and inactive. However, removal of two glycosylation motifs through engineering asparagine to glutamine codon substitutions enables secretion of Gln125,232-lysostaphin, a bioactive variant. Three lines of transgenic mice, in which the 5'-flanking region of the ovine .beta.-lactoglobulin gene directed the secretion of Gln125,232-lysostaphin into milk, exhibit substantial resistance to an intramammary challenge of 104 colony-forming units (c.f.u.) of S. aureus, with the highest expressing line being completely resistant. Milk protein content and profiles of transgenic and nontransgenic mice are similar. These results clearly demonstrate the potential of genetic engineering to combat the most prevalent disease of dairy cattle.

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     2000:161096 CAPLUS
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     132:175811
     A method using lysostaphin for the treatment of staphylococcal disease
ΤI
IN
     Climo, Michael M.; Archer, Gordon L.; Goldstein, Beth P.
PA
     Ambi Inc., USA
SO
     PCT Int. Appl., 25 pp.
     CODEN: PIXXD2
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             MN, MW, MX, NO, NZ, PL, PT, RO, RU, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SL, TJ,
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     Lysostaphin is an effective antibiotic in the treatment of staphylococcal
AB
     infection. Large doses of lysostaphin or lysostaphin analogs are
     effective in short course, or even one-dose administration, in treating
     and eradicating staphylococcal infections, including those resistant to
     conventional antibiotics.
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AN
     1999177558
               PubMed ID: 10077832
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ΤI
     Identification of three additional femAB-like open reading frames in
     Staphylococcus aureus.
     Tschierske M; Mori C; Rohrer S; Ehlert K; Shaw K J; Berger-Bachi B
ΑU
     Institute of Medical Microbiology, University of Zurich, Switzerland.
CS
SO
     FEMS MICROBIOLOGY LETTERS, (1999 Feb 15) 171 (2) 97-102.
     Journal code: 7705721. ISSN: 0378-1097.
CY
     Netherlands
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     English
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EM
     Entered STN: 19990413
     Last Updated on STN: 19990413
     Entered Medline: 19990329
     Three new proteins, FmhA, FmhB and FmhC, with significant identities to
AB
     FemA and FemB were identified in the Staphylococcus aureus (ATCC 55748)
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genome database. They were mapped to the SmaI-C, SmaI-H and SmaI-A

fragments of the S. aureus 8325 chromosome, respectively. Whereas insertional inactivation of fmhA and fmhC had no effects on growth, antibiotic susceptibility, lysostaphin resistance, or peptidoglycan composition of the strains, fmhB could not be inactivated, strongly suggesting that fmhB may be an essential gene. As deduced from the functions of FemA and FemB which are involved in the synthesis of the peptidoglycan pentaglycine interpeptide, FmhB may be a candidate for the postulated FemX thought to add the first glycine to the nascent interpeptide.

L4 ANSWER 6 OF 23 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 2

AN 1998295009 MEDLINE

DN 98295009 PubMed ID: 9631548

- TI Zoocin A immunity factor: a femA-like gene found in a group C streptococcus.
- AU Beatson S A; Sloan G L; Simmonds R S
- CS Department of Microbiology, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand.
- SO FEMS MICROBIOLOGY LETTERS, (1998 Jun 1) 163 (1) 73-7.
- Journal code: 7705721. ISSN: 0378-1097.
- CY Netherlands
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- OS GENBANK-U50357
- EM 199807
- ED Entered STN: 19980716 Last Updated on STN: 19980716

Entered Medline: 19980709

- AB A 6.8-kb fragment of Streptococcus equi subsp. zooepidemicus 4881 DNA containing the zoocin A gene (zooA) was cloned in Escherichia coli and sequenced. We have identified a gene we call zoocin A immunity factor (zif), which protects the producer cell from the otherwise lethal action of its own product. Transformation of Streptococcus gordonii DL1 with zooA and zif changed its phenotypic character from a non-zoocin A producing-zoocin A sensitive cell to a zoocin A producing-zoocin A resistant cell. zif has sequence homology to femA (factor essential for methicillin resistance) and lif (lysostaphin immunity factor). No differences were observed in amino acid or amino sugar compositions of peptidoglycan purified from zoocin A sensitive vs. zoocin A immune cells.
- L4 ANSWER 7 OF 23 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 3

- AN 1999132637 MEDLINE
- DN 99132637 PubMed ID: 9931440
- TI Identification and molecular characterization of a gene homologous to epr (endopeptidase resistance gene) in Staphylococcus aureus.
- AU Sugai M; Fujiwara T; Komatsuzawa H; SuqinakaH
- CS Department of Microbiology, Hiroshima University School of Dentistry, Hiroshima 734-8553,. Japan.sugai@ipc.hiroshima-u.ac.jp
- SO GENE, (1998 Dec 11) 224 (1-2) 67-75. Journal code: 7706761. ISSN: 0378-1119.
- CY Netherlands
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- OS GENBANK-AB015195
- EM 199902
- ED Entered STN: 19990301

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Entered Medline: 19990218

AB Certain Staphylococci possess a gene called epr or lif that renders the cells resistant to lysis by glycylglycine endopeptidase. The resistance is conferred by modifying the amino acid composition of interpeptide chains in cell-wall peptidoglycan by increasing serine content and decreasing

qlycine content. A gene homologous to epr/lif was cloned from S. aureus RN450 genomic libraries and designated eprh. eprh was found to localize 27bp downstream of a novel cell-wall hydrolase gene lytN, which is in the same orientation with eprh. By analogy with epr/lif, eprh is suggested to be involved in the transfer of certain amino acids, possibly serine or amino acids other than glycine, to interpeptide chains of cell-wall peptidoglycan. Unlike epr/lif, overexpression of eprh in S. aureus did not result in an increased resistance to lysostaphin.

Insertional inactivation of eprh or lyth by Campbell-type integration did not affect the susceptibility of the cells to lysostaphin, either. These results suggest that eprh and lytN are not essential genes for S. aureus growth. The physiological function of eprh remains unknown.

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- 1998:346426 CAPLUS AN
- DN 129:25648
- Epr-specified lysostaphin endopeptidase resistance TI
- ΑU Dehart, Heather Morton Posey
- CS Univ. of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL, USA
- SO (1997) 66 pp. Avail.: UMI, Order No. DA9821529 From: Diss. Abstr. Int., B 1998, 59(1), 63
- DTDissertation
- LA English
- AΒ Unavailable
- ANSWER 9 OF 23 L4 MEDLINE
- AN 1998053874 MEDLINE
- 98053874 PubMed ID: 9393725 DN
- ΤI Specificities of FemA and FemB for different glycine residues: FemB cannot substitute for FemA in staphylococcal peptidoglycan pentaglycine side chain formation.
- ΑU Ehlert K; Schroder W; Labischinski H
- PH-Research Antiinfectives I, Bayer AG, Wuppertal, Germany. CS
- JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1997 Dec) 179 (23) 7573-6. SO
 - Journal code: 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- Priority Journals FS
- EΜ 199712

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ED Entered STN: 19980116

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The femAB operon codes for two nearly identical approximately 50-kDa proteins involved in the formation of the staphylococcal pentaglycine interpeptide bridge. Sequencing and analysis of the femA region of mutants isolated by chemical mutagenesis and selection for lysostaphin resistance revealed point mutations leading to the expression of truncated FemA proteins. These femA mutants, although still producing an intact FemB, exhibited a phenotype identical as that described for femAB double mutants. Thus, FemA seems to be essential for the addition of glycine residues 2 and 3 only, whereas FemB is involved in the attachment of exclusively glycine residues 4 and 5. Although FemB has 39% identity with FemA, it cannot substitute for FemA. The FemA and FemB proteins seem

to be highly specific in regard to the position of the glycine residues

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AN 97352690 MEDLINE

that they attach.

- DN 97352690 PubMed ID: 9209049
- TΙ epr, which encodes glycylglycine endopeptidase resistance, is homologous to femAB and affects serine content of peptidoglycan cross bridges in Staphylococcus capitis and Staphylococcus aureus.
- ΑU Sugai M; Fujiwara T; Ohta K; Komatsuzawa H; Ohara M; Suginaka H

CS Department of Microbiology, Hiroshima University School of Dentistry, Minami-ku, Japan.. sugai@ipc.hiroshima-u.ac.jp

SO JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1997 Jul) 179 (13) 4311-8.

Journal code: 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.

CY United States

DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

OS GENBANK-AB000222

EM 199708

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Entered Medline: 19970819

Staphylococcus capitis EPK1 produces a glycylglycine endopeptidase, ALE-1 AB (M. Sugai, T. Fujiwara, T. Akiyama, M. Ohara, H. Komatsuzawa, S. Inoue, and H. Suginaka, J. Bacteriol. 179:1193-1202, 1997), which hydrolyzes interpeptide pentaglycine chains of cell wall peptidoglycan of S. aureus. Characterizations of the enzyme activity and cloning of ale-1 revealed that ALE-1 is very similar to prolysostaphin produced by S. simulans bv. staphylolyticus. Strain EPK1 is resistant to lysis by ALE-1 and by lysostaphin. A gene that renders the cells resistant to glycylglycine endopeptidase (epr) was found 322 bp upstream of and in the opposite orientation to ale-1. The deduced amino acid sequence of epr showed similarities to FemA and FemB, which have been characterized as factors essential for methicillin resistance of S. aureus. Inactivation of either femA or femB causes decreased resistance to methicillin, increased resistance to lysostaphin, and decreased glycine content in the interpeptide chains of peptidoglycan. Therefore, femAB is suggested to be involved in the addition of glycine to pentapeptide peptidoglycan precursor. S. aureus with epr on a multicopy plasmid had phenotypes similar to those of femAB mutants except that it did not alter resistance level to methicillin. These results suggest that epr and femAB belong to the protein family involved in adding amino acids to the pentapeptide peptidoglycan precursor and that epr is involved in the addition of serine to the pentapeptide.

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DUPLICATE 6

AN 97400268 MEDLINE

DN 97400268 PubMed ID: 9257762

- TI Increased production of penicillin-binding protein 2, increased detection of other penicillin-binding proteins, and decreased coagulase activity associated with glycopeptide resistance in Staphylococcus aureus.
- AU Moreira B; Boyle-Vavra S; deJonge B L; Daum R S
- CS Department of Pediatrics, The University of Chicago, Illinois 60637, USA.
- SO ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AND CHEMOTHERAPY, (1997 Aug) 41 (8) 1788-93. Journal code: 0315061. ISSN: 0066-4804.

CY United States

DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LA English

FS Priority Journals

EM 199709

ED Entered STN: 19971008 Last Updated on STN: 19980206

Entered Medline: 19970925

The mechanism of glycopeptide resistance in the genus Staphylococcus is unknown. Since these antimicrobial compounds act by binding the peptidoglycan precursor terminus, the target of transglycosylase and transpeptidase enzymes, it was hypothesized that resistance might be mediated in Staphylococcus aureus by increased production or activity of these enzymes, commonly called penicillin-binding proteins (PBPs). To evaluate this possibility, glycopeptide-resistant mutants were prepared by passage of several clinical isolates of this species in nutrient broth containing successively increasing concentrations of the glycopeptide vancomycin or teicoplanin. Decreased coagulase activity and increased

resistance to lysostaphin were uniformly present in the vancomycin-resistant mutants. Peptidoglycan cross-linking increased in one resistant isolate and decreased in two resistant isolates. The amounts of radioactive penicillin that bound to each PBP in susceptible and resistant strains were compared; PBP2 production was also evaluated by Western blotting. Increased penicillin labeling and production of PBP2 were found in all resistant derivatives selected by either vancomycin or teicoplanin. Moreover, the increase in PBP2 penicillin labeling occurred early in a series of vancomycin-selected derivatives and was strongly correlated (r > 0.9) with the increase in vancomycin and teicoplanin MIC. An increase in penicillin labeling also occurred, variably, in PBP1, PBP3, and/or PBP4. These data demonstrate a strong correlation between resistance to glycopeptides and increased PBP activity and/or production in S. aureus. Such an increase could allow PBPs to better compete with glycopeptides for the peptidoglycan precursor.

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DUPLICATE 7

AN 97417793 MEDLINE

DN 97417793 PubMed ID: 9271851

- TI Lif, the lysostaphin immunity factor, complements FemB in staphylococcal peptidoglycan interpeptide bridge formation.
- AU Tschierske M; Ehlert K; Stranden A M; Berger-Bachi B
- CS Institute of Medical Microbiology, University of Zurich, Switzerland.
- SO FEMS MICROBIOLOGY LETTERS, (1997 Aug 15) 153 (2) 261-4. Journal code: 7705721. ISSN: 0378-1097.
- CY Netherlands
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 199709
- ED Entered STN: 19971008

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- The formation of the Staphylococcus aureus peptidoglycan pentaglycine interpeptide chain needs FemA and FemB for the incorporation of glycines Gly2-Gly3, and Gly4-Gly5, respectively. The lysostaphin immunity factor Lif was able to complement FemB, as could be shown by serine incorporation and by an increase in lysostaphin resistance in the wild-type as well as in a femB mutant. However, Lif could not substitute for FemA in femA or in femAB-null mutants. Methicillin resistance, which is dependent on functional FemA and FemB, was not complemented by Lif, suggesting that serine-substituted side chains are a lesser substrate for penicillin-binding protein PBP2' in methicillin resistance.
- L4 ANSWER 13 OF 23 MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 8

- AN 97136597 MEDLINE
- DN 97136597 PubMed ID: 8981974
- TI Cell wall monoglycine cross-bridges and methicillin hypersusceptibility in a femAB null mutant of methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus.
- AU Stranden A M; Ehlert K; Labischinski H; Berger-Bachi B
- CS Institute of Medical Microbiology, University of Zurich, Switzerland.
- SO JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY, (1997 Jan) 179 (1) 9-16. Journal code: 2985120R. ISSN: 0021-9193.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 199702
- ED Entered STN: 19970219

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AB The femAB operon is involved in the formation of the characteristic pentaglycine side chain of the staphylococcal peptidoglycan. Allele replacement of the femAB operon with the tetracycline resistance

determinant tetK in a methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus strain resulted in impaired growth, methicillin hypersusceptibility, and lysostaphin resistance. The usual pentaglycine

cross-bridges were replaced by monoglycine bridges exclusively, and cross-linking of the peptidoglycan strands was drastically reduced. Complementation of the femAB null mutant by either femA or femAB resulted in the extension of the cross-bridges to a triglycine or a pentaglycine, respectively. This finding suggests that FemA is responsible for the formation of glycines 2 and 3, and FemB is responsible for formation of glycines 4 and 5, of the pentaglycine side chain of the peptidoglycan precursor. Moreover, it can be deduced that addition of the first glycine must occur by a femAB-independent mechanism.

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AN 97302473 MEDLINE

97302473 PubMed ID: 9158720 DN

- Staphylococcal peptidoglycan interpeptide bridge biosynthesis: a novel ΤI antistaphylococcal target?.
- ΔII Kopp U; Roos M; Wecke J; Labischinski H
- CS Bayer AG, Pharma Research Antiinfectives I, Wuppertal, Germany.
- SO MICROBIAL DRUG RESISTANCE, (1996 Spring) 2 (1) 29-41. Journal code: 9508567. ISSN: 1076-6294.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 199706
- Entered STN: 19970630 ED
 - Last Updated on STN: 19970630 Entered Medline: 19970619
- AB In staphylococci, crosslinking of the peptide moiety of peptidoglycan is mediated via an additional spacer, the interpeptide bridge, consisting of five glycine residues. The femAB operon, coding for two approximately 50-kDa proteins is known to be involved in pentaglycine bridge formation. Using chemical mutagenesis of the beta-lactam-resistant strain BB270 and genetic, biochemical, and biophysical characterization of mutants selected for loss of beta-lactam resistance and reduced lysostaphin sensitivity it is shown that peptide bridge formation proceeds via three intermediate bridge lengths (cell wall peptides with no, one, three, and five glycine units). To proceed from one intermediate to the next, three genes appear necessary: femX, femA, and femB. The drastic loss of beta-lactam resistance after inactivation of FemA or partial impairment of FemX even beyond the level of the sensitive wild-type strains renders these proteins attractive antistaphylococcal targets.
- ANSWER 15 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS L4
- 1995:665834 CAPLUS AN
- The lysostaphin endopeptidase resistance gene (epr) TI specifies modification of peptidoglycan cross bridges in Staphylococcus simulans and Staphylococcus aureus
- ΑU DeHart, Heather Posey; Heath, Harry E.; Heath, Lucie S.; LeBlanc, Paul A.: Sloan, Gary L.
- Appl. Environ. Microbiol. (1995), 61(7), 2811 so CODEN: AEMIDF; ISSN: 0099-2240
- DТ Journal; Errata
- LA English
- AB Unavailable
- ANSWER 16 OF 23 1.4 MEDLINE **DUPLICATE 10**
- AN 95266829 MEDLINE
- DN 95266829 PubMed ID: 7747966
- ΤI The lysostaphin endopeptidase resistance gene (epr) specifies modification of peptidoglycan cross bridges in Staphylococcus

simulans and Staphylococcus aureus.

- CM Erratum in: Appl Environ Microbiol 1995 Jul;61(7):2811
- AU DeHart H P; Heath H E; Heath L S; LeBlanc P A; Sloan G L
- CS Department of Biological Sciences, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa 35487, USA.
- SO APPLIED AND ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY, (1995 Apr) 61 (4) 1475-9. Journal code: 7605801. ISSN: 0099-2240.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 199506
- ED Entered STN: 19950621

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Staphylococcus simulans biovar staphylolyticus produces an extracellular AB glycylglycine endopeptidase (lysostaphin) that lyses other staphylococci by hydrolyzing the cross bridges in their cell wall peptidoglycans. The genes for endopeptidase (end) and endopeptidase resistance (epr) reside on plasmid pACK1. An 8.4-kb fragment containing end was cloned into shuttle vector pL150 and was then introduced into Staphylococcus aureus RN4220. The recombinant S. aureus cells produced endopeptidase and were resistant to lysis by the enzyme, which indicated that the cloned fragment also contained epr. Treatments to remove accessory wall polymers (proteins, teichoic acids, and lipoteichoic acids) did not change the endopeptidase sensitivity of walls from strains of S. simulans biovar staphylolyticus or of S. aureus with and without epr. Immunological analyses of various wall fractions showed that there were epitopes associated with endopeptidase resistance and that these epitopes were found only on the peptidoglycans of epr+ strains of both species. Treatment of purified peptidoglycans with endopeptidase confirmed that resistance or susceptibility of both species was a property of the peptidoglycan itself. A comparison of the chemical compositions of these peptidoglycans revealed that cross bridges in the epr+ cells contained more serine and fewer glycine residues than those of cells without epr. The presence of the 8.4-kb fragment from pACK1 also increased the susceptibility of both species to methicillin.

- L4 ANSWER 17 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AN 1991:486327 CAPLUS
- DN 115:86327
- TI femA, which encodes a factor essential for expression of methicillin resistance, affects glycine content of peptidoglycan in methicillin-resistant and methicillin-susceptible Staphylococcus aureus strains
- AU Maidhof, Heinrich; Reinicke, Bernhard; Bluemel, Peter; Berger-Baechi, Brigitte; Labischinski, Harald
- CS Robert Koch-Inst., Fed. Health Off., Berlin, D-1000/65, Fed. Rep. Ger.
- SO J. Bacteriol. (1991), 173(11), 3507-13 CODEN: JOBAAY; ISSN: 0021-9193
- DT Journal
- LA English
- AB femA Is a chromosomally encoded factor, occurring naturally in S. aureus, which is essentially for the expression of high-level methicillin resistance in this organism. The prodn. of a low-affinity penicillin-binding protein PBP2a or PBP2' which is intimately involved with methicillin resistance in S. aureus, is not influenced by femA. To elucidate a possible physiol. function of the 48-kDa protein encoded by femA, several related methicillin-resistant, methicillin-susceptible, and Tn551 insertionally inactivated femA mutants were analyzed for possible changes in cell wall structure and metab. Independent of the presence of mec, the methicillin-resistance determinant, all femA mutants had a reduced peptidoglycan (PG) glycine content (up to 60% in the molar ratio of glycine/glutamic acid) compared to that of related femA+ parent strains. Addnl. effects of femA inactivation and the subsequent decrease

in PG-assocd. glycine were (1) reduced digestion of PG by recombinant lysostaphin, (2) unaltered digestion of PG by Chalaropsis B-muramidase, (3) reduced cell wall turnover, (4) reduced whole-cell autolysis, and (5) increased sensitivity towards B-lactam antibiotics. Also, the PG-assocd. glycine content of a femA::Tn551 methicillin-susceptible strain was restored concomitantly with the methicillin resistance to a level almost equal to that of its femA+ methicillin-resistant parent strain by introduction of plasmid pBBB31, encoding femA.

L4 ANSWER 18 OF 23 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 11 89273565 MEDLINE AN 89273565 PubMed ID: 2730641 DN ΤI Plasmid-encoded lysostaphin endopeptidase resistance of Staphylococcus simulans biovar staphylolyticus. ΑU Heath H E; Heath L S; Nitterauer J D; Rose K E; Sloan G L Department of Microbiology, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa 35487. CS BIOCHEMICAL AND BIOPHYSICAL RESEARCH COMMUNICATIONS, (1989 May 15) 160 (3) SO 1106-9. Journal code: 0372516. ISSN: 0006-291X. CY United States DTJournal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE) LА English Priority Journals FS 198907 EΜ Entered STN: 19900309 ED Last Updated on STN: 20000303 Entered Medline: 19890710 Staphylococcus simulans biovar staphylolyticus, the lysostaphin-producing AB organism, secretes a staphylolytic endopeptidase (EC 3.4.99.17) that is encoded on plasmid pACK1. Susceptibility of pACK1-cured strains to lysis by endopeptidase established that resistance to this enzyme is not an inherent property of the organism but rather is encoded on this dispensable plasmid. Furthermore, the enzyme is not an autolysin that is essential for cell wall synthesis because strains lacking the endopeptidase gene grew normally. ANSWER 19 OF 23 MEDLINE L476025376 MEDLINE AN PubMed ID: 1176603 DN 76025376 TI Virulence factors of biotypes of Staphylococcus epidermidis from clinical sources. Males B M; Rogers W A Jr; Parisi J T ΑU JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, (1975 Mar) 1 (3) 256-61. so Journal code: 7505564. ISSN: 0095-1137. CY United States DTJournal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE) LΑ English FS Priority Journals EM197512 ED Entered STN: 19900313 Last Updated on STN: 20000303 Entered Medline: 19751230 AB The biotyping scheme of Baird-Parker was applied to cultures of Staphylococcus epidermidis from patients. In all, 63.6% of 228 cultures belonged to biotype 1, followed by biotypes 4, 3, and 2 in decreasing order of incidence. When classified according to clinical source of isolation, cultures of S. epidermidis were most frequently isolated from urine, with 39.5% of 228 cultures from this source. Each of the four biotypes was distributed throughout all nine catagories of clinical sources. The production of virulence factors was based on the results of

three groups of tests: (i) deoxyribonuclease, urease, gelatinase,

and (iii) hemolysin production. Enzymatic activity was highest for organisms in biotypes 1, followed by biotypes 3, 4, and 2 in decreasing

caseinase, and lysozyme production; (ii) lipolytic activity on the tweens;

order. Of the 228 cultures, 76.3% were lysed by lysostaphin.
Resistance to antibiotics was highest for tetracycline,
ampicillin, and penicillin, with rates of 54.8, 69.3, and 81.6%,
respectively. The role of S. epidermidis as an etiological agent was
studied by analyzing the laboratory and clinical data of 80 patients
selected at random with bacteriuric S. epidermidis. Organisms in biotype 1
were most commonly associated with urinary tract infection. The
significance of certain biotypes of S. epidermidis as opportunistic
pathogens among compromised hosts in a hospital environment is discussed.

- L4 ANSWER 20 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AN 1974:563936 CAPLUS
- DN 81:163936
- TI Lack of correlation between methicillin resistance and susceptibility of lysostaphin in Staphylococcus aureus
- AU Chopra, I.; Lacey, R. W.
- CS Med. Sch., Univ. Bristol, Bristol, UK
- SO J. Gen. Microbiol. (1974), 82, Pt. 2, 419-20 CODEN: JGMIAN
- DT Journal
- LA English
- AB The acquisition of methicillin [61-32-5] resistance by Stephylococcus aureus did not affect its susceptibility to lysis by lysostaphin. This was illustrated by comparing the rates of lysis by lysostaphin in pairs of strains that differed only by the possession of gene(s) for methicillin resistance.
- L4 ANSWER 21 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AN 1968:425280 CAPLUS
- DN 69:25280
- TI Lysostaphin. I. Sensitivity of 355 Staphylococcus aureus strains of human origin to lysostaphin
- AU Pulverer, G.
- CS Univ. Koeln, Cologne, Ger.
- SO Z. Med. Mikrobiol. Immunol. (1968), 154(1), 40-8 CODEN: ZMMIA3
- DT Journal
- LA German
- The effect of lysostaphin at concns. between 5.0 and 0.037 .mu.g./ml. on 355 coagulase-pos. S. aureus strains of human origin in Difco medium no. 3 and an exposure time of 24 hrs. at 37.degree. was investigated. All strains were resistant to penicillin G (1.5 units), streptomycin (25 .mu.g.), chloramphenicol (10 .mu.g.), tetracycline (10 .mu.g.), and erythromycin (10 .mu.g.), and 39 were resistant to methicillin. Of the remainder, there were 300 nonepidemic and 16 epidemic strains. At a min. inhibitory concn. of 2.5 .mu.g./ml., 1.25 .mu.g./ml., 0.62 .mu.g./ml., 0.31 .mu.g./ml., 0.15 .mu.g./ml., 0.075 .mu.g./ml. and 0.037 .mu.g./ml. there were 8, 44, 101, 103, 74, 23, and 2 strains affected, resp., while all strains were killed at a concn. of 5.0 .mu.g./ml. The mode of action of lysostaphin was not related to that of methicillin, since methicillin resistance was not correlated with lysostaphin

 resistance. There was also no correlation between lysostaphin sensitivity and phage group or egg yolk activity.
- L4 ANSWER 22 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS
- AN 1967:113232 CAPLUS
- DN 66:113232
- TI Lysostaphin: an enzymic approach to staphylococcal disease. I. In vitro studies
- AU Schaffner, William; Melly, M. Ann; Hash, John H.; Koenig, M. Glenn
- CS Sch. of Med., Vanderbilt Univ., Nashville, Tenn., USA
- SO Yale J. Biol. Med. (1967), 39(4), 215-29 CODEN: YJBMAU
- DT Journal

LA English

AB Lysostaphin (I) (70 .gamma./ml.) rapidly killed Staphylococcus aureus in vitro, unlike the penicillins. I maintained its activity in serum and after heating at 37.degree.. I was equally active against encapsulated and nonencapsulated staphylococcal strains; like penicillin, I was inactive against intracellular staphylococci. I-resistant staphylococci were isolated in vitro; these differed from the parent strain in colonial morphology, slower GROWTH RATES, increased penicillin sensitivity, and occasionally in diminished virulence for mice. Resistance may possibly relate to configurattional alterations on the cell wall surface rather than to changes in its chem. composition. 24 references.

L4 ANSWER 23 OF 23 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2002 ACS

AN 1967:420242 CAPLUS

DN 67:20242

TI Experimental observations on staphylococcal disease

AU Rogers, David Elliott

CS Vanderbilt Univ., Nashville, Tenn., USA

SO Postepy Mikrobiol. (1965), 5(2), 279-96

CODEN: PMKMAV

DT Journal

LA English

AB This report points out the nature of the factors conferring staphylococci virulence, the reasons for the refractoriness of staphylococcal infections to treatment, and the role of humoral immunity in prevention of staphylococcal disease in man. Coagulase-pos. staphylococci isolated from human disease could be grown from human granulocytes after 4-5 hrs. of intracellular residence. Coagulase-neg. strains were rapidly destroyed under these circumstances. The survival of part of the microbial populations within the cells is an important attribute of virulent strains. When a penicillinsensitive staphylococcus is incorporated within human leukocytes the lethal effects of penicillin are blocked. Similar results were obtained using lysostaphin which is highly active against all strains of staphylococci tested. It was demonstrated that levels of bacteremia can be modified by manipulating leukocyte levels. Studies were reported of a strain of Staphylococcus which dissocd. into 2 colonial variants when incorporated in soft agar contg. plasma. One variant was virulent for mice when injected i.p. and grew in diffuse colonies. other variant was virulent under similar conditions and grew in compact colonies. The diffuse variant was found to have a surface component which prevents phagocytosis. Studies with 12 different mouse virulent staphylococcal strains show that all have an antigenic capsule and require other factors for ingestion by leukocytes. Penicillin was without effect on staphylococci at population titers similar to those contained in abscesses. High titers and relatively sluggish metabolism of organisms in the abscess cavity may have an important bearing on the refractoriness of lesions to antimicrobial therapy.

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- L1 ANSWER 1 OF 6 MEDLINE
- AN 2002293213 IN-PROCESS
- DN 22013727 PubMed ID: 12019130
- TI Combinations of lysostaphin with beta-lactams are synergistic against oxacillin-resistant Staphylococcus epidermidis.
- AU Kiri Nandini; Archer Gordon; Climo Michael W
- CS Department of Medicine, Virginia Commonwealth University Health Science System, Richmond, Virginia 23249, USA.
- NC R-41HL60334 (NHLBI)
- SO ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AND CHEMOTHERAPY, (2002 Jun) 46 (6) 2017-20. Journal code: 0315061. ISSN: 0066-4804.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS IN-PROCESS; NONINDEXED; Priority Journals
- ED Entered STN: 20020530
 - Last Updated on STN: 20020530
- Oxacillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus is rapidly killed by the AB endopeptidase lysostaphin, and the addition of beta-lactam antibiotics provides synergistic killing. We investigated the possibility that beta-lactams given in combination with lysostaphin would improve the activity of lysostaphin against oxacillin-resistant Staphylococcus epidermidis (ORSE), which is normally less susceptible to lysostaphin. Checkerboard synergy testing was performed for lysostaphin given in combination with oxacillin against 10 ORSE isolates for which the lysostaphin MICs were > o r= 8 microg/ml. The fractional inhibitory concentration index ranged from 0.0234 to 0.2656, indicating synergy, which was confirmed in growth curve experiments. In the rabbit model of experimental aortic valve endocarditis using an ORSE strain, the combination of lysostaphin and nafcillin was as effective as vancomycin alone and significantly better than lysostaphin or nafcillin alone. We conclude that beta-lactam antibiotics given in combination with lysostaphin are synergistic against many strains of ORSE.
- L1 ANSWER 2 OF 6 MEDLINE
- AN 2001435424 MEDLINE
- DN 21199336 PubMed ID: 11302806
- TI Mechanism and suppression of lysostaphin resistance in oxacillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus.
- AU Climo M W; Ehlert K; Archer G L
- CS Department of Medicine, Hunter Holmes McGuire Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Richmond, Virginia 23249, USA.. Michael.Climo@med.va.gov

aureus mutant was successfully devised. Lysostaphin was sufficiently absorbed on the heat-killed mutant cells derived from S. aureus Cowan I and efficiently eluted by 3 M KSCN. Enzyme preparation obtained by a single procedure of the affinity purification was pure enough for practical use. The yield of the enzyme was 25 mg from 1 liter culture and recovery rate was 64%.

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L1 ANSWER 4 OF 6 MEDLINE
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- AN 91072619 MEDLINE
- DN 91072619 PubMed ID: 2254432
- TI Effect of BiTek agar on lysostaphin susceptibility of staphylococci.
- AU Langlois B E; Dawson K; Akers K
- CS Department of Animal Sciences, University of Kentucky, Lexington 40546-0215.
- SO JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, (1990 Nov) 28 (11) 2568-9. Journal code: 7505564. ISSN: 0095-1137.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 199101
- ED Entered STN: 19910308

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- AB Staphylococci which were considered to be lysostaphin susceptible on P agar containing Bacto-Agar showed different degrees of resistance to lysostaphin when tested on P agar made with BiTek agar. As a result, lysostaphin-susceptible strains were misidentified as lysostaphin-resistant strains.
- L1 ANSWER 5 OF 6 MEDLINE
- AN 86224542 MEDLINE
- DN 86224542 PubMed ID: 3519667
- TI Rapid lysostaphin test to differentiate Staphylococcus and Micrococcus species.
- AU Geary C; Stevens M
- SO JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MICROBIOLOGY, (1986 Jun) 23 (6) 1044-5. Journal code: 7505564. ISSN: 0095-1137.
- CY United States
- DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
- LA English
- FS Priority Journals
- EM 198606
- ED Entered STN: 19900321

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- AB A rapid, simple lysostaphin lysis susceptibility test to differentiate the genera Staphylococcus and Micrococcus was evaluated. Of 181 strains from culture collections, 95 of 95 Staphylococcus strains were lysed, and 79 of 79 Micrococcus strains were not lysed. The seven Planococcus strains were resistant. Clinical isolates (890) were tested with lysostaphin and for the ability to produce acid from glycerol in the presence of erythromycin. Overall agreement between the methods was 99.2%. All clinical Micrococcus strains (43) were resistant to lysostaphin, and all clinical Staphylococcus strains (847) were susceptible. Seven of the Staphylococcus strains did not produce acid from glycerol in the presence of erythromycin. This lysostaphin test provides results in 2 h. It is easier to perform than previously described lysostaphin lysis methods. It is also more rapid and accurate than the glycerol-erythromycin test.
- L1 ANSWER 6 OF 6 MEDLINE
- AN 77153627 MEDLINE
- DN 77153627 PubMed ID: 848206
- TI [Evaluation of phagocytosis of Staphylococcus aureus with the aid of

R-41HL60334 (NHLBI) ANTIMICROBIAL AGENTS AND CHEMOTHERAPY, (2001 May) 45 (5) 1431-7. SO Journal code: 0315061. ISSN: 0066-4804. CY United States DT Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE) LΑ English Priority Journals FS 200108 EΜ ED Entered STN: 20010806 Last Updated on STN: 20010806 Entered Medline: 20010802 The potential for the development of resistance in oxacillin-resistant AΒ Staphylococcus aureus (ORSA) to lysostaphin, a qlycylqlycine endopeptidase produced by Staphylococcus simulans biovar staphylolyticus, was examined in vitro and in an in vivo model of infection. Following in vitro exposure of ORSA to subinhibitory concentrations of lysostaphin, lysostaphin-resistant mutants were idenitifed among all isolates examined. Resistance to lysostaphin was associated with a loss of resistance to beta-lactams and a change in the muropeptide interpeptide cross bridge from pentaglycine to a single glycine. Mutations in femA, the gene required for incorporation of the second and third glycines into the cross bridge, were found following PCR amplification and nucleotide sequence analysis. Complementation of lysostaphinresistant mutants with pBBB31, which encodes femA, restored the phenotype of oxacillin resistance and lysostaphin susceptibility. Addition of beta-lactam antibiotics to lysostaphin in vitro prevented the development of lysostaphin-resistant mutants. In the rabbit model of experimental endocarditis, administration of a low dose of lysostaphin for 3 days led predictably to the appearance of lysostaphin-resistant ORSA mutants in vegetations. Coadministration of nafcillin with lysostaphin prevented the emergence of lysostaphin-resistant mutants and led to a mean reduction in aortic valve vegetation counts of 7.5 log(10) CFU/q compared to those for untreated controls and eliminated the isolation of lysostaphin-resistant mutants from aortic valve vegetations. Treatment with nafcillin and lysostaphin given alone led to mean reductions of 1.35 and 1.65 log(10) CFU/g respectively. In ORSA, resistance to lysostaphin was associated with mutations in femA, but resistance could be suppressed by the coadministration of beta-lactam antibiotics. ANSWER 3 OF 6 L1 MEDLINE AN 93233503 MEDLINE PubMed ID: 8474355 DN 93233503 ΤI Efficient adsorption of lysostaphin on bacterial cells of lysostaphin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus mutant. AU Sakurada J; Murai M; Zhijun L; Usui A; Seki K; Kobayashi K; Sumi Y; Jitsukawa H; Masuda S CS Department of Bacteriology, Jikei University School of Medicine, Tokyo, Japan. SO MICROBIOLOGY AND IMMUNOLOGY, (1993) 37 (1) 29-34. Journal code: 7703966. ISSN: 0385-5600. CY Japan DTJournal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE) LA English FS Priority Journals EM 199305 ED Entered STN: 19930604 Last Updated on STN: 20000303 Entered Medline: 19930520 A simple and efficient method for the purification of staphylolytic AB endopeptidase (lysostaphin) contained in culture supernatant of Staphylococcus simulans biovar staphylolyticus strain by adsorption of the enzyme on bacterial cells of lysostaphin-resistant S.

lysostaphin (author's transl)]. Auswertung der Phagozytose von Staphylokokken unter Verwendung von Lysostaphin.

ΑU Dorner I; Blobel H; Schaeg W

SO ZENTRALBLATT FUR BAKTERIOLOGIE, PARASITENKUNDE, INFEKTIONSKRANKHEITEN UND HYGIENE. ERSTE ABTEILUNG ORIGINALE. REIHE A: MEDIZINISCHE MIKROBIOLOGIE UND PARASITOLOGIE, (1977) 237 (2-3) 141-6. Journal code: 0331570. ISSN: 0300-9688.

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The Staphylococcus aureus strains HV 1 and K 807 were lyzed by AB lysostaphin. S. epidermis E 1 and staphylococci extracted with quanidinium chloride were resistant to lysostaphin-induced lysis. In the phagocytosis of S. aureus lysostaphin proved to be most useful for the differentiation between engulfed and extracellular staphylococci, particularly those attached to the surface of the polymorphonuclear granulocytes. It enabled a better recognition of the phagocytized staphylococci and therefore a more precise analysis of the phagocytosis experiments. A further improvement in the evaluation of phagocytosis was possible by the use of radioisotope labelling of staphylococci. This technique in combination with lysostaphin, might be useful for large-scale phagocytosis studies.